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REQUEST

FOR

CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. §132, effective on May 29, 2000, provides for continued examination of a utility or plant application filed on or after June 8,1995.

See the American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

Application Number	09/849,868		
Filing Date	May 4, 2001		
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Group Art Unit	1647		
Examiner Name	Gamett, Daniel C.		
Attorney Docket Number	39766-0035 C1		

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 of the above-identified application. NOTE: 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. s 1.53(d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 20000), which established RCE practice.

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	a.		Previously submitted							
		ī.	Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. §1.116 previously filed on (Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered)							
	ii. Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on									
		iii.	☐ Other	ner						
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		i.	☑ Preliminary Amendment							
		ii.	☐ Declarations/Affidavits							
		iii.	☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)							
		iv.	☐ Other							
2.	Miscellaneous									
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	b.									
3.	Fees The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.									
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		ii.	Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17)							
		iii.	Other —							
	b.		Check in the amount of \$ enclosed							
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